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**Mark E. Easton**



**DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
OF THE NAVY (FINANCIAL OPERATIONS)**

Mr. Easton assumed his current position in May 2004. As Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Financial Operations he is responsible for Department of the Navy financial improvement initiatives that involve systems and processes employed by the 9,000 Navy-Marine Corps financial managers. He was appointed as a member of the Senior Executive Service in January 2003, serving initially as Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Service Cleveland operations and the Senior Navy Client Executive for DFAS.

He retired as a Captain from active duty in September 2002, following a 29-year career in the Navy Supply Corps. While on active duty in the Navy, Mr. Easton served in assignments both afloat and ashore. In his command tour as Director DFAS Pacific in Pearl Harbor, Mr. Easton provided support for all four military services from locations in the Hawaiian Islands and Japan. Prior to this assignment he served as the Executive Assistant and Naval Aide to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Financial Management and Comptroller.

His shipboard tours included service as Supply Officer of the battleship USS New Jersey. Ashore, he served in a variety of other logistics and financial management positions. While at Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Headquarters in Washington, DC, he was Director, Readiness Support, and headed up DLA's Operational Logistics Support of Hurricane Andrew disaster relief and of humanitarian missions to Somalia, Bosnia, and Haiti.

A native of Kansas City, Mo., he received his naval officer's commission through the NROTC program at Miami University (Ohio). He holds a master's of business administration from the University of Michigan and has completed the Executive Development Program at the University of Northwestern Kellogg Graduate School of Business. He is also a graduate of the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Mr. Easton is a Certified Defense Financial Manager.

Mr. Easton has received various personal military awards, including the Defense Superior Service Medal and the Legion of Merit with gold star. He has also been presented with the Department of the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award in 2006 and 2009..

